UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA
Criminal No. CR 16-260 DSD

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

RONALD LAWRENCE COURRIER,

Defendant.

INFORMATION

18 U.S.C. § 2252(a)(4)(B)
18 U.S.C. § 2252(b)(2)
18 U.S.C. § 2253(a)

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES THAT:

BACKGROUND

On or about March 3, 2016, in the State and District of Minnesota, the defendant, **RONALD LAWRENCE COURRIER,** knowingly and intentionally possessed in an electronic format approximately 961 digital video files of minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct, as well as 58 videos depicting children filmed with hidden cameras, all of which he had obtained from the Internet, many through the Tor browser. **RONALD LAWRENCE COURRIER** maintained the images and digital video files on the hard drives of his computer and on a digital storage device.

COUNT 1
(Possession of Child Pornography)

On or about March 10, 2016, in the State and District of Minnesota, the defendant,

RONALD LAWRENCE COURRIER,

having been previously convicted on or about March 3, 1999 of violating Minn. Stat. § 609.342, Subd. 1(a), Criminal Sexual Conduct in the First Degree, did knowingly possess

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one or more matters which contained visual depictions that had been shipped and transported using a means and facility of interstate commerce, including by computer, and had been mailed, shipped and transported in and affecting interstate commerce, where the production of such visual depictions involved the use of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct and such visual depictions were of such conduct, including, but not limited to, the following computer image and video files:

a) "**Preteen Orgasms(3hours).avi**," which is a three-hour video that depicts various prepubescent girls engaged in masturbation;

b) "**cp fuck me**," which is a 1:25 minute video depicting an adult male rubbing his penis against a prepubescent child who has the words "fuck me" written on her chest; and

c) "**Vibro_School_(mkv).avi**," which is a 38-minute video depicting a prepubescent boy and girl performing oral sex on each other and a prepubescent girl performing oral sex on an adult male;

all in violation of Title 18, United State Code, Sections 2252(a)(4)(B) and 2252(b)(2).

FORFEITURE ALLEGATIONS

Count 1 of this Information is hereby realleged and incorporated as if fully set forth herein by reference, for the purpose of alleging forfeitures pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2253(a).

As a result of the foregoing offenses, the defendant,

RONALD LAWRENCE COURRIER,

shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2253(a):

(1) any visual depiction described in section 2251, 2251A, 2252, 2252A, 2252B, or 2260 of Chapter 110 of Title 18, United States Code, or any book, magazine, periodical, film, videotape, or other matter which contains any such visual depiction, which was produced, transported, mailed, shipped or received in violation of Chapter 110 of Title 18, United States Code;

(2) any property, real or personal, constituting or traceable to gross profits or other proceeds obtained from such offense; and

(3) any property, real or personal, used or intended to be used to commit or to promote the commission of such offense or any property traceable to such property, including but not limited to one Toshiba Satellite laptop with serial number XD272644Q and one SanDisk USB thumb drive with serial number BM151224800B.

If any of the above-described forfeitable property is unavailable for forfeiture, the United States intends to seek the forfeiture of substitute property as provided for in Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 18, United States Code, Section 2253(b).

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2252(a)(4)(B), 2252(b)(2), and 2253(a).

Dated: 9-28-16

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